

Diversity Council Minutes – Wed. January 11, 2006

Presiding:

Gordon Flake, committee chair

Members Present:

Cliff Baldwin, Alyce Bradbury, David Goulding, Veronica Godfrey (BIG non-voting), Mike Humble, Ginny Ivanoff (OEEEO, non-voting), Ethel Jackson, Bill Jirles (Union Rep.), Charle League, Alicia Moore, Bill Quattlebaum, Boris Risek, Bill Steinmetz, Molly Vallant (non-voting)

New Members Present: Yuping Chen, Celeste Edwards, Pat King-Herbert, Lee Ann Mc Cray, Chris Harlan (Alternate)

Members Absent:

Kathy Ahlmark, Janice Allen, William Boyd, Rodrigo Franco, Jackie Locklear, Lisa Rogers, Linda Yu

New Members Absent: Jeannie Foushee, Kelly Godfrey, Marcus Harris

Old Business

A. Minutes

The December 14, 2005 minutes were reviewed and approved unanimously.

B. Reports

1. International Day:

The celebration was a huge success and the presentations on the celebrations were well done. Suggestions were made for improvement for future logistical planning purposes. It was also suggested that the celebration always begin at 3:00 so that the subcommittee has ample time for set-up. Linda, Alyce, and all the volunteers were noted for a job well done. It was also noted that Dr. Schwartz stayed for over an hour at the celebration and that is considered a good sign of future support for the Diversity Council and our programs.

- 2. MLK/Black History Month:** James Rogers, a local, retired National Teacher of the Year, will be our guest speaker. His talk will be at 10:00 on January 24. Everything is in place for his talk. An Obesity panel will be held – the proposed date is 2/14/06. More information will be provided by Marian Johnson-Thompson as to the participants. A food sampling of healthy traditional Southern dishes will be held after the panel. Dr. Cecil Pickett's talk is on track – his itinerary and a talk title is needed.

3. Spirit Lecture:

The subcommittee had invited Dr. Ruth Kirschstein, NIH OD, to be the 2006 Spirit Award recipient, but she is unable to travel. She recommended Dr. Nora Volkow,

Director, NIDA and it appears that Dr. Volkow will accept the invitation. A subcommittee meeting will be called soon to

New Business

- 1. New Members Welcome:** The new members present introduced themselves
- 2. New Officer Elections:** Gordon Flake presented a slate of nominees:
 - Alyce Bradbury – Chair
 - Dave Goulding – Vice Chair
 - Bill (Qb) Quattlebaum - SecretaryOther nominees were solicited and none submitted. The council unanimously approved the new officer slate.
- 3. New Subcommittee List:** A new subcommittee list was passes around for members to sign up.

Adjourn:

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by Ginny Ivanoff, 1/11/06.